

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

E. Martinez-Force et al.

Attorney Docket No. ARNO118345

Application No.: 10/009,067

Group Art Unit: 1617

Filed:

July 16, 2002

Examiner: S.A. Jiang

Title:

USE OF HIGH OLEIC HIGH STEARIC OILS

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS/ PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

December 16, 2004

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. Appeal

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decisions dated June 17, 2004, of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting Claims 1-12. The required fee of \$500.00 is included in our enclosed check.

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the final Office Action dated June 17, 2004, and for filing this appeal, set to expire on September 17, 2004, be extended by 3 months to expire on December 17, 2004. An extension for 2 months has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$430.00 is thus deducted from the total fee due for the 3-month extension now requested. Therefore, the extension fee due with this request and included in the enclosed check is \$590.00.

C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 160195 in the amount of \$1,090.00 to cover the appeal and extension of time fees.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a

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request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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